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To: Mailing List for CEQA Guidelines Updates

Re: Past Proposals for Revisions to CEQA Guidelines

In November 2004, we informed you that pursuant to section 21083 [then section 21087] of the Public Resources Code, we intended to update the Guidelines to include all statutory and case law changes affecting the Guidelines. We also stated that we were interested in your input regarding any amendments that you believed would improve the Guidelines.

We received and reviewed many helpful suggestions regarding possible future amendments to the Guidelines. We want to express our appreciation to those of you who took the time to provide thoughtful comments. However, for a number of reasons, we needed to limit this year's rulemaking effort to ensuring that the Guidelines reflect statutory changes that have been enacted in recent years. Accordingly, it was not possible to begin moving forward to explore the many suggestions we received for broader modifications to the Guidelines.

Nevertheless, we have retained the ideas that were submitted in response to our November 2004 letter. These ideas will be available for Resources Agency and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research to consider in connection with a more comprehensive review of the existing Guidelines in the future.

Thank you again for assisting the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and the Resources Agency in this effort.

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